THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) and (b) Some proposals for the amendment of the MRTP Act including, *inter alia*, proposals relating to protection of consumers' interests are under consideration of the Government.

Central Public Sector Undertakings suffering Losses

*210. SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE:
SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) names of Central Public Sector Undertakings which suffered losses in 1987-88 and the cumulative losses suffered by each one of them upto 31st March, 1988; and

(b) which of them have received Budgetary support in 1987-88 and by how much?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) and (b) Annual accounts for the financial year 1987-88 of the Public Enterprises are yet to be finalised.

Power Production in Northern States

*211. SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR:
SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH:

Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) what is the potential added to power production of the northern States during the last three years; and

(b) what are the measures being taken to meet the challenge of power shortage in Northern States preferably in the capital during the next two years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) A total capacity of about 3444 MW was inducted in the States of the Northern Region during the last three years.

(b) It is proposed to add a capacity of about 3970 MW during 1988-89 and 1989-90 in the Northern Region, including Delhi. For maximising generation from existing capacity, 47 thermal uints in the Region have been included in a Centrally sponsored renovation and modernisation programme. To further improve the availability of power in the shortest possible time, measures have been taken to implement short gestation gas based projects, to reduce transmission and distribution losses, and to implement demand management and energy conservation measures.

Foreign Cooperation in the Coal Sector

*212. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
SHRI KAPIL VERMA:

Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of the new approach towards foreign cooperation in the coal sector;

(b) whether turn-key approach has been adopted to undertake execution of coal projects;

(c) what are the names of the countries which have offered their cooperation in this regard; and

(d) the details of world bank assistance for these projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COAL IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI C. K. JAFFAR SHARIEF): (a) Recognising the importance of the coal sector in the Indian economy, several developed countries have offered assistance for financing imports for coal sector projects. Such imports

are arranged, subject to indigenous clearance, for specific items of equipment or components thereof and bilateral assistance is used for such imports subject to mutual agreements with the concerned donor country.

(b) With a view to avoiding cost and time over-runs in coal projects and to derive benefits of improved project planning, management techniques, and high productivity standards available in advanced countries, a few projects are contemplated to be implemented on turnkey basis with suitable guarantees from foreign primary contractor. An essential ingredient in this new turnkey approach is that the larger import element on this account is covered by attractive financial packages so as to avoid drain on India's foreign resources and also to ease the growing resource constraint.

(c) The countries which have agreed in principle to the proposed turnkey approach are France, United Kingdom, Australia, Canada and Federal Republic of Germany. USSR, Poland and German Democratic Republic have also indicated their willingness to consider taking up projects on turnkey basis.

(d) The World Bank has also agreed to provide credits for a few coal sector projects. However, the turnkey basis is not applicable in the case of projects financed by the World Bank.

Production of Sulphamoxol and Diphenydramine

*213. DR. (SHRIMATI) SAROJINI MAHISHI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 65 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 25th April, 1988 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that certain producers of Sulphamoxol and Diphenydramine have increased their prices;

(b) if so, the names of the producers, their earlier price, present price and percentage increase;

(c) the names of the companies which were permitted to produce these drugs along with the date of permission; and

(d) what was the stage from which each was permitted along with the production of each company of each drug during the last three years, year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The required details to the extent of information is available are given as under:

Sl. No.	Name of bulk drug	Name of Company	Earlier Price	Revised Price	% Change
			Rs./Kg.	Rs./Kg.	
1.	Diphenydramine	M/s. Parke Davis	229.78	422.35	83.8
2.	Sulfamoxol	M/s. German Remedies	235.23	613.75	161.0

(c) The required details to the extent information is available are given in the attached Statement-I. (*See* below)

(d) The required details to the extent information is available are given in the attached Statement-II.